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(Rancho Cucamonga) – This year The California-Nevada Section of the American Water Works Association is bringing together the best water industry professionals across two states to discuss and share solutions for the future. This event will take place one week from today, on October 26-29, 2015. The conference will be held at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. During the Annual Fall Awards Ceremony the Section will be honoring three students for their amazing academic achievement.

Our First Place Doctoral student Dr. Sirikarn Surawanvijit is a student at UCLA and has her Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering. Her dissertation title is "Real-time monitoring of reverse osmosis membrane integrity" and the advisory professor on this work is Professor Yoram Cohen.

Our First Place finalist in the Masters section is Brianna Pagan of Loyola Marymount University who has a M.S. in Civil Engineering. Her winning Thesis is titled "Understanding the Potential Impacts of Climate Change on Water Resources in Southern California".

Second Place in the Master's section goes to John Michael Gonzales from the University of Nevada Las Vegas. He has his M.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering, his winning thesis title is "Fluoride and Phosphate Removal from Industrial and Domestic Wastewaters Using Cerium Chloride".

These hardworking students will be receiving an award and grant on October 27, 2015 at the Tropicana in Las Vegas, Nevada as a part of the Sections Ceremony.

For more information on this endeavor contact Sara Baxter sbaxter@ca-nv-awwa.org at (909) 291-2109.

The California - Nevada Section of American Water Works Association (AWWA) is a non-profit association whose mission is to support the drinking water professionals who provide safe and reliable water to millions of people throughout California and Nevada.

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